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SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

The Selectmen of the town of Winchester, for the year ending March 1, 1881, submit the following Report:

RECEIPTS.

Cash in Treasury March 1, 1880,	$411	17
Rec'd S. M. Morse, Collector, town and school house taxes,	16,297	31
Interest on taxes,	55	11
J. H. Gould, Collector of 1879, interest on taxes,	32	07
County, support of paupers,	1,267	51
Railroad tax,	56	03
Savings Bank tax,	1,736	97
Literary fund,	194	62
City of Keene, support of E. Ballou,	504	79
Rent town hall,	74	70
Loan Winchester National Bank,	500	00
Cemetery lot,	25	00
Universalist Society,	52	00
A. H. Taft, overdrawn County bill,	16	22
J. N. Mallory, overdrawn school money, Dis. 3,	50	00
Mrs. Calvin Doolittle, rent of land,	23	00
	$21,296	50

DISBURSEMENTS.

ORDINARY TOWN CHARGES.

Paid Amos A. Putnam, expenses to Keene,	$1 00
A. H. Taft, M. D., registering births and deaths,	3 00
Earl Evans, " " " "	3 75
N. P. Burbank, public water,	2 00
John F. Field, "	2 00
F. R. Peters, care of town clock and tolling bell,	20 00
E. A. Pickering, care street lamps at Ashuelot,	20 00
Thomas W. Kendrick, public water,	2 00
H. V. Prime, "	2 00
Ziba Ware, "	3 00
G. W. Peirce, M. D., registering births and deaths,	9 75
Charles P. Lawrence, public water,	1 50
J. H. Manning, "	1 50
Howe & Pratt, oil, chimneys, etc., for street lamps,	12 13
W. H. Gurnsey, stationery for town,	3 80
L. F. Buffum, public water,	3 00
R. R. Wilson, "	3 00
	$93 43

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid Emerson A. Clark, breaking roads,	$1 00
Alvin Kempton, shoveling gravel for road,	6 50
B. R. Foster, " " "	7 50
A. C. Eaton, drawing " "	18 00
J. H. Manning, work on highway, as agent,	52 00
E. C. Scott, " " "	70 23
Oscar H. Field, " " "	33 68
H. Carleton, " " "	15 00
H. W. Tuttle, drawing gravel,	10 50
L. W. Goss, work on highway, as agent,	10 00
" " " "	100 00
Paul S. Willis, " " "	30 00
L. W. Goss, " " "	40 00
Harvey Carleton, " " "	17 52
Jonathan O. Hill, " " "	30 71

Paid James P. Putnam, work on highway, as agent,	$43	14
Charles P. Lawrence, " " "	44	85
Charles Jackson, " " "	50	00
Paul S. Willis, " " "	47	57
James H. Bolton, " " "	37	25
P. D. Coburn, " " "	43	00
E. A. Kingman, " " "	30	00
A. C. Eaton, " " "	35	00
Oscar H. Field, " " "	13	28
Charles Jackson, " " "	36	31
L. W. Burt, " " "	40	00
David Sawyer, " " "	34	86
Henry L. Stetson, " " "	22	00
L. W. Burt, " " "	84	05
Harvey Jewell, bridge plank,	3	90
John F. Field, plate for road scraper,	3	00
G. Thayer, for repairs on road scraper,	2	00
Charles Harvey, for shoveling gravel on highway,	5	62
O. C. Kendrick, work on highway, as agent,	17	00
Amos A. Putnam, " " "	12	00
Calvin L. Eaton, " " "	43	62
L. B. Seaver, repairs on road scraper,	7	48
Amos B. Atherton, repairs on highway, as agent,	51	14
Daniel L. Saben, drawing gravel on Main street,	6	00
E. C. Scott, work on highway, as agent,	9	50
A. L. Jewell, bridge plank,	4	73
Levi G. Rugg, work on highway, as agent,	28	57
James Fosgate, " " "	5	50
L. W. Goss, " " "	32	33
E. L. Alexander, for drawing gravel on Main st.	12	60
J. N. Newton, work on highway, as agent,	21	01
P. D. Coburn, " " "	19	54
J. H. Manning " " "	24	41
Henry L. Stetson, " "	2	35
J. H. Manning, " " "	8	93
Charles Jackson, " " "	6	50
A. A. Howard, repairs on road scraper,	2	50
Paul S. Willis, work on highway, as agent,	22	74

Paid Amos A. Putnam, work on highway, as agent,	$8 44
Alvin Kempton, " " "	1 46
A. P. Tufts, " " "	109 73
James H. Bolton, " " "	14 01
R. R. Wilson, drawing gravel to fill in street,	17 50
G. C. Snow, work on highway, as agent,	26 00
L. W. Seaver " " "	8 42
Harvey Carleton, breaking roads, as agent,	13 97
J. Delos Atherton, for shoveling snow and snowing bridge,	10 00
Calvin L. Eaton, work on highway, as agent,	7 75
J. P. Putnam, repairing and breaking roads, agent,	6 84
A. C. Eaton, building wall on road near Hinsdale line,	33 39
J. O. Hill, breaking roads, as agent,	9 36
H. V. Prime, for stone work on road,	4 50
Amos B. Atherton, breaking roads, as agent,	7 12
Charles Jackson, " "	3 75
Levi G. Rugg, repairs on road, as agent,	5 74
E. S. Adams, " "	28 24
Ansel Dickenson, bridge plank	44 64
M. M. Baker, " "	34 49
Charles P. Lawrence, breaking road, as agent,	7 00
Ames C. Eaton, work on roads, as agent,	7 64
J. C. Thompson,	3 00
E. A. Kingman, work on road, as agent,	6 50
J. L. Nickerson, snowing bridge,	5 00
Paul S. Willis, breaking roads, as agent,	6 65
David Sawyer, " "	1 25
J. H. Manning, " "	5 27
Amos A. Putnam, " "	3 84
H. B. Swan, hauling gravel for highway,	5 77
R. R. Wilson, hauling stone for curbing,	5 45
Total,	$1,809 64

COUNTY PAUPERS.

S. M. Morse, support of Mrs. Mabel Carleton,	$6 00
J. Delos Atherton, carrying Eugene Rumrill to County farm,	3 00
Samuel Cutting, support of Mrs. Mabel Carleton,	7 00
Selectmen, support of Emily Smith,	30 00
Samuel Cutting, support of Mrs. Mable Carleton and child,	2 00
W. A. Alexander. clothing for Rumrill boy,	6 50
W. H. Plummer, support of Polly Bryant,	52 93
A. C. Eaton, carrying J. C. Plummer to County farm,	3 00
Selectmen, for support of Geo. W. Hammond and wife,	21 00
" " Lydia Barrett,	3 00
J. A. Lesure, coffin for Carleton child,	4 00
G. W. Peirce, for surgical services on Patrick Shannon,	11 54
C. W. Scott & Co., goods furnished R. F. Gould and wife,	48 00
C. W. Scott & Co., goods furnished George Bragg,	2 00
Daniel D. Davis, for support of Arvilla Hill,	27 00
Ansel Dickenson, wood furnished Mrs. Garrett Welch,	31 70
Thayer & Turner, rent of tenement for " "	60 95
" " wood furnished Patrick Shannon,	4 20
Wright Wood, goods furnished Patrick Shannon,	15 44
A. H. Taft, M. D., medical services on Geo. Bragg,	14 72
" " " J. C. Plummer,	1 50
Selectmen, for support of Job M. Leonard,	12 00
" " Mrs. Garrett Welch,	1 05
" " Lydia Barrett,	7 00
Dorcas Doolittle, " Polly Bryant,	14 00
" " " "	14 00
Selectmen, for support Geo. W. Hammond and wife,	21 00
Ball & Felch, goods furnished Mrs. Garrett Welch,	59 43
Selectmen, for support of Lydia Barrett,	12 00
Dorcas Doolittle, for support of Polly Bryant,	8 00
E. H. Brown, goods furnished G. W. Hammond and wife,	5 27
F. P. Willis, goods furnished Geo. Bragg,	4 38
" " " J. O. Davis,	65

Dorcas Doolittle, for support of Polly Bryant,	$16 00
Selectmen, for support of Lydia Barrett,	10 00
Daniel D. Davis, " " Arvilla Hill,	28 00
Dorcas Doolittle, " " Polly Bryant,	4 00
Selectmen, " " Emily Smith,	35 00
" " Mrs. William Bragg,	7 25
" " Geo. Hammond and wife,	36 73
C. W. Scott & Co., support of Roland Gould and wife,	56 00
" " " George Bragg,	2 75
" " " William Bragg,	90
Dorcas Doolittle, support of Polly Bryant,	8 00
George W. Peirce, medical services on Patnode and Shannon,	8 57
Earl Evans, medical services on Polly Bryant,	16 25
" " " Mrs. Garrett Welch,	23 92
" " " J. M. Leonard,	5 25
" " " Mrs. Mabel Carleton,	15 25
" " " E. Miller,	25 00
A. H. Taft, " " George Bragg,	24 30
" " " Benjamin Kidder,	10 60
" " " William Bragg,	11 04
" " " John C. Plummer,	1 50
J. A. Lesure, coffin for E. Russell's child,	5 00
" " Mrs. J. M. Leonard,	10 00
" " Oliver Patnode's child,	5 00
" " Lewis Tacy's child,	5 00
" " Mrs. William Bragg,	10 00
Wright Wood, for goods furnished Patrick Shannon,	14 33
" " " Elijah Russett,	16 50
" " " Mrs. G. Welch,	65 35
Thayer & Turner, rent for Mrs. Garrett Welch,	32 50
W. L. Rixford, meat furnished " "	14 00
C. W. Fairbanks, milk " " "	7 15
Daniel D. Davis, support of Arvilla Hill,	8 00
Amos A. Putnam, coat for George Bragg,	5 00
Dorcas Doolittle, for support of Polly Bryant,	14 00
Selectmen, for support of Geo. Hammond and wife,	15 00
" " Lydia Barrett,	8 25

David D. Davis, support of Delbert Truax,	$ 5 00
Elisha Hutchins, aid to Geo. Hammond and wife,	25 00
Selectmen, support of Lydia Barrett,	10 75
George W. Peirce, medical services rendered to Mary Beufore	7 36
Joseph Delphie, for board and care of Mary Beufore,	4 00
F. Weeks & Co., goods furnished Patrick Shannon,	1 00
" " " George Bragg,	2 00
" " " Benjamin Kidder,	4 50
Dorcas Doolittle, for support of Polly Bryant,	12 00
E. H. Brown, goods furnished William Bragg,	57
F. P. Willis, " " George Bragg,	2 00
Howe & Pratt, " " Mrs. Garrett Welch,	14 00
Total,	$1,183 83

TOWN PAUPERS.

Selectmen, for support Daniel Davis,	$6 00
" " "	1 50
" " Harriet Thayer and daughter,	24 00
Willie F. Willis, support Mrs. Wilber Willis,	10 00
A. H. Taft, M D., attendance Mrs. Wilber Willis,	4 50
Earl Evans, M. D., attendance M. D. Bryant and wife,	48 00
Willie F. Willis, support Mrs. Wilber Willis,	10 00
Mrs. R. O. Aldrich, support Harriet Thayer and daughter,	18 00
Mrs. R. O. Aldrich, support Harriet Thayer and daughter.	3 00
Selectmen, for support Daniel Davis,	6 80
" " "	5 00
C. S. Baker, support Mary Baker,	10 00
Willie F. Willis, support Mrs. Wilber Willis,	10 00
Selectmen, support Walter Cutting,	10 00
Maggie Aldrich, support Harriet Thayer,	2 00
" " "	16 50
Selectmen, support Daniel Davis,	5 00
C. W. Scott & Co., goods Harriet Thayer and daughter,	3 00
Willie F. Willis, support Mrs. Wilber Willis,	10 00
Selectmen, for support Daniel Davis,	5 00

Selectmen, support of Mrs. Calvin Doolittle,	$36 00
Willie F. Willis, support Mrs. Wilber Willis,	12 00
Selectmen, for support Daniel Davis,	5 00
Selectmen, for support Luther Lawrence and John E. Reed at insane asylum,	105 32
Selectmen, for support Harriet Thayer,	2 94
" " Daniel Davis,	5 00
Willie F. Willis, support Mrs. Wilber Willis,	10 00
Selectmen, support Mrs. Calvin Doolittle,	18 00
C. S. Baker, support Mary Baker,	21 00
Selectmen, support Daniel Davis,	5 00
Willie F. Willis, support Mrs. Wilber Willis,	10 00
G. W. Peirce, medical attendance Harriet Thayer,	16 42
Selectmen, support Lawrence and Reed at insane asylum,	224 12
J. A. Lesure, coffin for Harriet Thayer,	10 00
Selectmen, support Daniel Davis,	6 00
Willie F. Willis, support Mrs. Wilber Willis,	10 00
Selectmen, for B. C. Snow for burial Harriet Thayer,	3 00
" support Daniel Davis,	5 00
Russell Hammond, support Daniel Hale,	9 00
Selectmen, support Mrs. Calvin Doolittle,	18 00
Willie F. Willis, support Wilber Willis,	10 00
Selectmen, support Daniel Davis,	5 00
Russell Hammond, support Daniel Hale,	9 00
Willie F. Willis, support Mrs. Wilber Willis,	10 00
C. S. Baker, support Mary Baker,	24 00
Selectmen, support Daniel Davis,	5 00
J. A. Powers, medicine furnished town paupers,	3 15
Selectmen, support Lawrence and Reed at insane asylum,	107 21
A. H. Taft, medical attendance Mrs. W. Wheeler,	33 75
Wood Brothers, meat for town paupers,	2 80
F. Weeks & Co., goods for Mrs. W. Wheeler,	10 70
" " E. Richardson,	6 78
" " John DeBell,	5 00
Wright Wood, " John Lalley,	168 83
C. W. Scott & Co., " Sarah Aldrich,	12 07

C. W. Scott & Co., goods for Daniel Davis,	$ 5	20
" " Mrs. John DeBell,	11	50
" " Daniel Hale,	1	95
Russell Hammond, support "	6	32
F. P. Willis, goods furnished Daniel Davis,		96
" " Mrs. Wheeler,		32
Total,	$1,179	64

SCHOOLS.

Elijah Harmon, Committee, High School,	$1,100	00
T. W. Kendrick, " District No. 1,	100	95
John A. Fitzgerald, " " 2,	404	82
Julius N. Mallory, " " 3,	861	38
W. N. Beals, " " 4,	92	84
Lorenzo Calkins, " " 5,	90	32
Harry Jewell, " " 6,	136	13
Edgar C. Scott, " " 7,	96	93
Oscar H. Field, " " 8,	109	15
Jonathan O. Hill, " " 9,	95	96
Bradley Rixford, " " 10,	105	43
Daniel H. Gunn, " " 13,	71	67
Hosea G. Pickett, " " 15,	72	32
Homer M. Smith, " " 16,	137	01
Ansel Dickinson, " " 18,	345	87
Henry Lyman, " " 19,	94	39
George W. Combs, " " 20,	159	14
Martin M. Baker, " " 21,	133	08
	$4,207	39

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Charles O. Eaton, for hook and ladder equipments,	$117	00
A. G. Willard, foreman Neptune Company,	117	00
J. F. Pickering, repairs on engine,	12	00
Matthew Coughlin, foreman Ashuelot Company,	120	00
E. L. Alexander, for drawing hose to Ashuelot,	3	00
Samuel Cutting, for sawing wood for engine house,	1	50
E. H. Brown, for carrying firemen to Ashuelot,	4	00
L. M. Kent, thread furnished engine company,		90

L. M. Kent, leather to cover pipes,	$1 75
C. W. Scott & Co., lock for Fire Company,	40
E. H. Brown, shoveling snow from reservoir,	50
R. R. Wilson, goods furnished Fire Department,	3 82
R. R. Wilson, for services as Chief of Fire Department,	6 00
C. W. Scott, " " Fireward, 1879-80,	6 00
E. H. Brown, " " " "	4 00
	$397 87

TOWN BONDS, NOTES AND COUPONS.

H. Abbott, interest on town bonds,	$ 6 00
" coupons " "	60 00
" bonds and interest,	102 00
" note "	516 17
" bond,	500 00
A. J. Rixford, interest on town bond,	7 50
H. Abbott, coupons, " "	12 00
" " "	1,000 00
	$2,203 67

EVERGREEN CEMETERY.

C. W. Scott, Superintendent,	$50 98

DAMAGE BY DOGS.

P. D. Coburn, three sheep killed,	$10 00
James E. Coxeter, one "	4 00
Charles Holton, " "	3 00
Marvin D. Lewis, " "	4 00
Charles W. Thompson, two sheep killed,	5 50
	$26 50

STATE AND COUNTY TAX.

H. Abbott, County tax,	$1,781 23
" State "	2,708 00
	$4,489 23

TOWN OFFICERS.

Ellery Albee, for services as Moderator, March 9, 1880,			$5 00
S. M. Morse, services of Selectmen, 1879-80,			2 00
Ellery Albee,	"	town auditors, 1879-80,	6 00
Charles P. Lawrence, services as sexton,			3 00
Ellery Albee, for services as Moderator, Nov. 2,			5 00
O. L. Howard,	"	sexton,	108 00
Theodore Holton,	"	"	9 00
O. N. Wardwell,	"	policeman,	6 25
Ellery Albee,	"	moderator Dec. 28,	3 00
F. Weeks,	"	purchasing safe,	5 00
Charles P. Lawrence,	"	sexton,	3 00
Elijah Harmon,	"	school committee,	95 00
H. Abbott,	"	town treasurer,	25 00
R. R. Wilson,	"	policeman,	5 00
Sidney M. Morse,	"	tax collector,	150 00
Amos A. Putnam,	"	selectman,	147 00
Amos A. Putnam,	"	overseer of the poor,	12 00
Amos C. Eaton,	"	selectman,	155 68
Amos C. Eaton,	"	overseer of the poor,	7 50
Geo. H. Snow,	"	town clerk,	50 00
			$802 43

REPAIRS ON TOWN HALL.

Geo. E. Alexander, lumber for town hall,		$11 20
C. D. Seaver, repairs on town hall,		1 00
A. W. Nason, for painting	"	39 00
E. E. Stinson, for labor,	"	20 00
F. Weeks & Co., goods furnished to repair town hall,		54 29
John Hutchins, calcine plaster,	"	50
F. R. Willis, goods for hall,		77
A. J. Harvey, labor on hall,		3 75
A. Kimpton,		1 25
H. G. Pickett,		1 50
Geo. H. Snow, for brackets,		1 00
R. R. Wilson, moving safe,		1 50

M. D. Spaulding, painting safe,	$ 95
F. P. Willis, nails,	75
C. D. Seaver, making steps,	2 00
	$139 46

TOWN HALL.

E. C. Hildreth, care of town hall;	$7 50
Geo. W. Combs, wood for town hall,	2 56
F. Weeks & Co., goods furnished for town hall,	14 56
John Hutchins, for ash pail and brush for hall,	3 50
C. W. Scott & Co., goods for hall,	50
Geo. H. Snow, sundries "	26 86
" care "	90 00
	$145 48

CITY OF KEENE.

A. H. Taft, medical services for Edward Ballou,	$85 75
L. F. Buffum, for support Edward Ballou,	75 00
" " "	75 00
" " "	80 00
" " "	50 00
" " "	40 00
A. H. Taft, medical services for E. Ballou,	53 44
G. W. Peirce, " "	2 32
J. A. Powers, " "	11 38
A. H. Taft, " "	24 10
L. F. Buffum, support of Edward Ballou,	50 00
	$546 99

OLD BILLS.

Edward C. Thayer, for Police badges, 1877,	$ 3 75
Russell Follett, for labor on highway,	3 00
Charles P. Lawrence, for public water, 1879,	1 50
E. G. Harder, blacksmithing for highways and bridges,	11 10
H. Abbott, filling road in front of M. E. Parsonage,	5 00
L. M. Kent, one broom for town hall,	75
George W. Combs, breaking roads, 1879,	1 70

James R. Ware, public water,	$3 00
Emerson A. Clark, "	1 50
E. M. Forbes, complaint and warrant, O'Brine and Quigley,	4 00
D. T. Saben, repairs on town house,	2 00
C. W. Thompson, breaking roads, 1879,	6 45
John A. Fitzgerald, goods furnished and labor for department,	3 82
H. B. Swan, lumber for town hall,	6 28
	$53 85

TOWN LIBRARY.

E. M. Forbes, library committee,	$150 00
S. M. Morse, " "	150 00
	$300 00

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

David Donivan, error in apprisal of real estate,	$5 85
Taft Smith, " " "	2 28
Methodist Parsonage,	2 60
James H. Bolton,	1 62
Cheshire National Bank,	5 62
David Sawyer,	99
John Cunningham, dog tax,	1 00
Mrs. Calvin Doolittle,	3 90
George W. Hammond,	3 90
Roland F. Gould,	99
David Hale,	4 25
John Lally,	2 20
Mrs. Nancy A. Starkey,	3 90
John D. Stone, poll and dog tax,	2 30
Eugene Barrett,	3 33
Mrs. Diantha D. DeBell,	2 94
Mrs. Ellen McGregor, suspended,	2 47
John McGregor, "	2 09
William Roach, dog tax,	1 00
S. M. Morse, Collector's list,	72 08
	$125 31

MISCELLANEOUS.

C. W. Scott & Co., books for indigent children,	$1 80
J. Delos Atherton, for tax collector's book,	1 25
Amos A. Putnam, expenses to Keene three times,	3 00
C. W. Scott, decorating fund,	25 00
W. H. Spalter, for record book,	14 00
Amos A. Putnam, expenses to Keene twice,	2 00
W. H. Spalter, for order books,	10 00
Sentinel Printing Co., printing town reports,	36 80
J. A. Lesure, one light of glass for street lamp,	20
F. Weeks, for new iron safe,	240 00
Amos A. Putnam, expense to Keene twice,	2 00
Amos A. Putnam, one-half expense of surveyor running Northfield line,	1 00
Selectmen, for postage stamps,	1 18
A. C. Eaton, expenses to Keene,	1 00
Amos A. Putnam, " "	1 00
Ellery Albee, for check list paper,	2 80
L. M. Kent, for moving safe,	1 50
Ellery Albee, for printing check list,	5 00
John Hutchins, repairing pump and sewer and lamp,	6 87
H. Abbott, check list paper,	1 60
C. W. Scott, envelopes for State and County votes,	25
	$358 25

TRAMP HOUSE AND TRAMPS.

L. M. Kent, keeping P. Quigley and J. Cunningham,	$4 20
" " John May,	25
" " Charles Scott,	25
" " wood for tramp house,	1 00
" " keeping Arthur Sullivan,	50
	$6 20

SCHOOL HOUSE TAXES.

John Hutchins, school-house tax in District No. 3,	$65 65
John A. Fitzgerald, " " " 2,	50 00
Ansel Dickinson, " " " 18,	825 00
John Hutchins, " " " 3,	19 35
	$960 00

RECAPITULATION.

DISBURSEMENTS.

Ordinary town charges,	$ 93 43
Highways and Bridges,	1,809 64
Town paupers,	1,179 64
County paupers,	1,183 83
Schools,	4,207 39
Bonds, notes and interest,	2,203 67
Fire department,	397 87
Evergreen Cemetery,	50 98
State and County taxes,	4,489 23
Town officers,	802 43
Sheep killed by dogs,	26 50
Town library,	300 00
Town hall,	145 48
Repairs on town hall,	139 46
Abatement of taxes,	125 31
School house taxes,	960 00
Tramp house and tramps,	6 20
Miscellaneous,	358 25
Bounty on hawks,	11 20
City of Keene,	546 99
Old bills,	53 85
Total,	$19,091 35

AMOS A. PUTNAM,
AMES C. EATON,
J. D. ATHERTON,
Selectmen of Winchester.

AUDITORS' REPORT.

We have examined the accounts of the Selectmen and Town Treasurer for the year ending March 1, 1881, and find them correct and properly vouched for.

The financial affairs of the town are as follows, viz:

LIABILITIES.

Town bonds outstanding March 1, 1881,	$1,400 00
Interest on same to March 1, 1881,	44 00
Due schools, literary fund,	194 62
" " dog tax,	124 50
Outstanding bills, estimated,	250 00
	$2,013 12

ASSETS.

Cash in treasury March 1, 1881,	$2,205 15
Due from S. M. Morse, collector of taxes,	93 06
" State, bounty on hawks and foxes, 1878, 1879, 1880,	53 10
Due from County, support of paupers,	117 86
" City of Keene,	42 20
Total,	$2,511 37
Balance against the town March 1, 1880,	$2,725 19
Balance in favor of the town, March 1, 1881,	498 25

ELLERY ALBEE,
HENRY LYMAN,
HARVEY CARLETON,
Auditors.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF
WINCHESTER TOWN LIBRARY.

To the Selectmen:

On account of the lateness of the date of our appointment, we have been unable to accomplish very many things that we have desired to, and have only a comparatively brief report to offer. The financial condition of the library is as follows, viz:

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand March 1, 1880, as per report,	$ 11 41
" received from town,	300 00
" " fines,	10 27
" " 40 Catalogues sold,	6 00
	$327 68

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid for books,	$108 33
for making and finishing railing,	5 56
for rebinding and repairing 171 volumes,	70 00
J. A. Powers, rent of room,	40 00
for wood and sundries,	11 87
Librarian, salary to April 1, 1881,	50 00
time and expenses of trustees,	15 00
	$300 76

Balance on hand March 1, 1881, $26.92.

In the purchase of books, we have endeavored to procure such as would prove both entertaining and instructive, and have carefully refrained from purchasing any of the trashy and demoralizing novels so attractive to many diseased minds, for we look upon a Public Library properly selected and conduct-

ed, as one of the most efficient educators of the public, as it not only reaches the children, but the grown people also.

The patronage of the Library is greatly increasing from year to year, and has been much more the past year than any preceding.

We have been quite strict in enforcing the rule for collecting fines for injuries done to the books, believing that would in a great measure check the injuries being done, and save much of the annual expenses for repairs.

During the past year an addition of sixty-seven volumes has been made by a generous donation from Miss Ellen L. Alexander, of New York, a native of our town.

S. M. MORSE,
E. M. FORBES,
J. N. MALLORY,
Trustees.

Winchester, March 1, 1881.

REPORT OF SUPT. SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

The Superintending School Committee of the town of Winchester would respectfully present the following Report for the year ending March 8. 1881:

TABULAR STATEMENT, NO. 1.

No. of District.		Weeks Summer Term.	Weeks Fall Term.	Weeks Winter Term.	Male Teachers.	Female Teachers.	Boys.	Girls.	Reading and Spelling.	Penmanship.	Arithmetic.	Geography.	Grammar.	U. S. History.	Composition.	Other Branches.	Children bet. 5 and 15 not attending School.	Average Attendance.
1		8	6	11	0	2	9	3	12	11	9	8	3	1	0	0	0	10
2	Upper Dep.	12	11	0	1	0	41	25	66	48	46	18	9	6	0	0		37
2	Lower Dep	12	11	0	0	1	30	22	52	6	42	0	0	0	0	0		37
2	Total No. 2,	24	22	0	1	1	71	47	118	54	88	18	9	6	0	0	0	74
3	High Sch'l,	12	12	12	1	0	16	31	47	9	22	5	10	0	47	47		30
3	Gram. Dep.	12	12	12	0	1	22	21	43	43	22	43	26	43	0			28
3	Intermed't,	12	12	11	0	1	23	22	45	34	34	32	21	0	21	0		29
3	Primary,	12	12	11	0	1	21	20	41	17	23	22	0	0	0	0		32
3	Total No. 3,	48	48	46	1	3	82	94	176	102	122	81	74	26	111	47	1	119
4		10	12	0	0	1	8	3	11	8	8	6	4	0	0	0	0	10
5		9	9	0	0	1	11	5	16	12	10	7	6	0	0	0	0	13
6		10	16	0	0	2	5	8	13	10	10	10	2	0	0	0	0	9
7		8	13	0	0	1	8	5	13	7	8	7	5	0	0	0	0	7
8		10	10	0	0	2	10	13	23	20	13	5	1	0	0	0	2	16
9		8	11	0	0	2	6	6	12	10	9	7	5	0	0	0	0	11
10		9	11	0	0	1	13	12	25	13	16	7	7	6	6	5	0	23
13		6	9	0	0	1	6	3	9	4	6	6	3	0	3	5	1	4
15		8	8	0	0	1	7	3	10	7	7	5	3	0	5	0	0	8
16		10	11	7	0	2	16	10	26	20	25	16	7	0	0	1	2	17
18	Upper Dep.	12	13	0	0	2	18	15	33	28	29	19	5	2	0	0		19
18	Lower Dep	12	13	0	0	2	13	21	34	1	10	10	0	0	0	0		24
18	Total No. 18	24	26	0	0	4	31	36	67	29	39	29	5	2	0	0	0	43
19		10	0	12	1	1	10	5	15	11	11	10	0	0	0	0	0	13
20		8	0	16	0	1	12	3	15	8	9	8	2	2	4	0	0	10
21		11	8	6	0	2	17	10	27	13	15	11	7	1	4	0	1	17
	Total,	221	218	98	3	28	322	266	588	340	405	241	143	44	133	58	7	420

In the above statement are the facts as recorded in the Registers, for the accuracy of which the teachers are responsible.

Where scholars have passed from one school to another by promotion, we have counted them only in the school in which they are found after promotion.

The names of a large number of scholars appear on more Registers than one. We have tried to avoid counting such more than once; but the aggregate number, after all, is doubtless somewhat too large.

TABULAR STATEMENT, NO. 2.

DISTRICT.	PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE.	TEACHERS.
1 & 17.	T. W. Kendrick,	Cora B. Smith, S.; Flora J. Boyce, F.; Carrie J. Hutchins, W.
2. Upper,	John A. Fitzgerald,	Albert M. Haskins, S. F.
2. Lower,	John A. Fitzgerald,	Susie M. Maxfield, S. F.
3. High Sch'l,	J. N. Mallory,	J. N. Mallory, S. F. W.
3. Grammar,	J. N. Mallory,	Frances E. Baldwin.
3. Intermed.	J. N. Mallory,	Clara E. Morse, S. F. W.
3. Primary,	J. N. Mallory,	Jennie L. Weeks, S. F. W.
4.	W. N. Beals,	A. Gertrude Buffum, S. F.
5.	Lorenzo Calkins,	Emma L. Frink, S. F.
6.	Harvey Jewell,	Anna H. Doolittle, S.; Jennie F. Swan, F.
7.	Edgar C. Scott,	Dora S. Willard, S. F.
8.	Oscar H. Field,	Emma J. Franklin, S.; Jennie M. Holbrook, F.
9.	J O. Hill,	Julia E. Leonard, S.; Helen M. Howard, F.
10.	Bradley Rixford,	May B. Thompson, S. F.
13.	Daniel H. Gunn,	Lucinda F. Gunn, S. F.
15.	H. G. Pickett,	Carrie J. Hutchins, S. F.
16.	Homer Smith,	Ella M. Smith, S.; Eva I. Stebbins, F. W.
18. Upper,	Ansel Dickinson,	Ella M. Burbank, S.; Eva Coulliard, F.
18. Lower,	Ansel Dickinson,	Ella A. Tufts, S.; L. Jeanette Morse, F.
19.	Henry Lyman,	Eva C. Tower, S.; Charles J. Fosgate, W.
20.	George W. Combs,	Jennie S. Wood, S. F.
21.	Martin N. Baker,	Eva Coulliard, S.; Mrs S. E. Phillips, F. W.

NOTE.—S., F. and W. stand for Summer, Fall and Winter terms respectively.

ROLL OF HONOR.

NOTE.—The figures following the names indicate the terms in which the scholars were perfect, viz: 1, first term; 2, second term; 3, third term.

DISTRICT No. 1.—Eugene R. Boyce 2, 3; Frank L. Kendrick 2, 3; Forest S. Field 2; Emma S. Putnam 3; James A. Putnam 3; Warren W. Kendrick 3.

No. 2, UPPER DEPARTMENT—None.

No. 2, LOWER DEPARTMENT—Mary Kelly 2; Thos. Kelly 2; Marshall Cutting 2; Willie Conway 2; James Conway 2; James Fairbanks 2.

No. 3, HIGH SCHOOL—Charles Eaton 1; Willie Felt 1; Nellie Kingman 1, 3; Minnie Howard 1, 2, 3; Anna Shepardson 1, 2, 3; Jennie Wardwell 1, 2, 3; Nellie Woodbury 1, 2, 3; Dora Smith 1; Mattie Hammond 1; Dora Hammond 1, 2; Hattie Stratton 1, 3; Fred Lesure 2; Alex. Pierce 2; Fred Prouty 2, 3; Willie Seaver 2, 3; Fred Smith, 2, 3; Albert Taft 2, 3; Grace Ball 2, 3; Edith Ames 2, 3; Ned. Wardwell 2; Eva Davis 2; Stella Lewis 2; Winnie Scott 2; Myrta Swan 2; Myrta Eaton 3.

No. 3, GRAMMAR DEPARTMENT—Grace Ball 1; Alice Clark 1, 2; Eva Crowell, 1, 3; Eva Davis 1; Hattie Kempton 1; Nellie Seaver 1, 3; Fred Smith 1; Willie Seaver 1; Albert Taft 1; Arthur Woodbury 1, 3; Katie Abbott 2, 3; Ellie Doolittle 2; Anna Hosford 2, 3; Minnie Hildreth 2, 3; Susie Pierce 2 3; Ella Read 2; Carrie Smith 2; Lulu Shepard 2; Stella Willis 2, 3; Daniel Burbank 2, 3; Henry Swan 2; Harry Adams 2, 3; Jessie Woodward 3; Harry Smith 3.

No. 3, INTERMEDIATE—Harry Adams 1; George Adams 1, 2; Alfred Saben 1; Katie Abbott 1; Minnie Hildreth 1; Susie Pierce 1; Ella Read 1; Stella Willis 1; Cora Fosgate 1; Ella Morse 1, 3; Ida Hildreth 1, 2, 3; Ellery Albee 2, 3;

Lee Dickinson 2, 3; Emma Davis 2; Charlie French 2, 3; Frank Gale 2, 3; Eugene Kelton 2; Fred Lewis 2, 3; Lilla Lewis 2, 3; Abbie Pierce 2, 3; Alfred Seaver 2, 3; Katie Willis 2, 3; Willie Rixford 3; Harry Hildreth 3; Jimme Donovan 3; Eddie Moulton 3; Mary Hosford 3.

No. 3, Primary—Grace Mallory 1, 2, 3; Jessie Metcalf 1; Ida Smith 1; Minnie Seaver 1, 2, 3; Katie Willis 1; Blanche Wilson 1, 2, 3; Lee Dickinson 1; Charlie French 1; Robbie Hildreth 1, 2; Fred Lewis 1; Leon Norwood 1, 3; Genie Seaver 1, 2, 3; Ellen Albee 2, 3; Mabel Brown 2; Susie Cross 2; Nora Kelton 2, 3; Edith Nims 2; Frances Rixford 2; May Richards 2, 3; Johnnie Burbank 2, 3; Grant Hammond 2; Bennie Robbins 2; Sadie Newton 3; Lyman Gale 3; Bertie Lewis 3.

No. 4—Willie M. Towns 1; Flora S. Towns 1; Arthur Phelps 1; Effie Phelps 1, 2; Robbie Beals 1, 2; Henry Saben 2; Louis Beals 2.

No. 5—Katie Mowrey 1; Edna Ware 1, 2; Fred Lewis 1, 2; Clarence Bryant 1; Arthur Mowrey 1, 2; Mary Harvey 2; Dora Calkins 2; Gertie Calkins 2; Harry Nash 2; Willie Higgins 2; Ellie Very 2.

No. 6—Emma Davis 1; Hattie Kingman 1, 2; Lois Jackson 1, 2.

No. 7—Stella Estey 1; Percy Willard 1, 2; Burton Willard 2.

No. 8—Willie DeBell 1; Freddie Doolittle 1; Maria DeBell 1; Emma Davis 1; Carrie Richardson 1; Mary Thayer 1; Jennie Doolittle 2; Mary Ruffe 2.

No. 9—Della Rixford 1, 2; Nellie Rixford 1, 2; Frank Wells 1; Fay Hill 1; Clare Hill 1; Jessie Rixford 2.

No. 10—Lizzie Read 1, 2; Lelia Rand 1, 2; Nora Lawrence 1; Flora Lawrence 1, 2; Eva Lawrence 1, 2; Franc Thompson 1; Minnie Carpenter 1, 2; Gertie Carpenter 1, 2; Sarah Fassett; Charlie Rixford 1; Bertie Fassett 1, 2; Ollie Lawrence 1, 2; Georgie Thompson 1, 2; Freddie Carpenter 1, 2; Johnnie Carpenter 1, 2; Herbert Lawrence 2; Perley Thompson 2; Charlie Barrett 2.

No. 13—Paul Willis 1; Alma Gunn 1, 2.

No. 15—Gertie Pickett 1, 2; Hosea Pickett 1; George Dingman 1; Ned Harvey 1; Charlie Hammond 1; Reuben Hammond 2; Pearley Harvey 2.

No. 16—Nettie Britton 1, 2, 3; Hattie Britton 1, 2, 3; Ethan Prentice 1, 2, 3; Edward Prentice 1, 2, 3; Leon Davis 1; Frank Britton 1, 3; Carrie Barber 2, 3; Willie Bolton 2, 3; Fred Britton 3; Lennie Stebbins 3.

No. 18, Upper Department—LaFell Dickinson 1, 2; Milan Dickinson 1, 2; Fred Felch 1; Frank Houlihan 1; Ellen Cunningham 2; Helen Woodbury 2; Mary Warren 2; Maggie Kelley 2.

No. 18, Lower Department—Edith Felch 1; Ida Kelley 1; May Couligan 1; John Burbank 1; John Dickinson 1, 2; Eddie Cunningham 1; Willie Cunningham 1; Laura Read 2; Mamie Heffron 2; Eddie Lally 2; Willie Coughlin 2.

No. 19—Hattie Wardwell 1; Clara Manning 1; Sheridan Hammond 2; Grant Hammond 2; Willie Curtis 2.

No. 20—Mary Atherton 1; Clara Combs 1; Arthur Howard 2.

No. 21—Alice Foster 1, 2; Mary Murphy 1, 2; Nettie Murphy 1, 2; Walter Murphy 1; Bertie Woods 1; Stella Eaton 2; Gertie Baker 3.

This Roll of Honor represents a great deal of painstaking and enthusiasm on the part of many, both parents and children. We congratulate them on their success, and venture to express the hope that their enthusiasm may continue, and even increase, and that many more may catch the same spirit.

The average attendance of all the schools has been 420. Comparing this with the whole number of scholars, as given in the Tabular Statement, we have the surprising fact, that almost one-third of the school privileges of the year have been lost by irregular attendance. Nothing but sickness or pressing necessity should detain scholars from school. The cost of school privilege is so great, and a good education so precious, that such waste, if unnecessary, seems exceedingly unwise.

The success of our schools has, on the whole, been quite up to the mark of previous years. Possibly we have made a little advance.

The influence of the high school is being felt more and more as a power for good among the teachers as well as scholars of the town. Some of the graduates of the high school are among our very best teachers. We commend all the graduates who wish to teach to the favorable regard of our Prudential Committees.

We insist that good scholarship and maturity of character and judgment are necessary for the best results in our smallest schools and among our youngest scholars.

It has sometimes been the case (not always), that Prudential Committees have gone out of town for teachers when they could have found much better ones at home.

Several of our school houses are most thoroughly unfit for school purposes, and it is hoped that the districts in which they are found will at once bestir themselves for school accommodations adequate to the needs of their scholars.

The best results cannot ordinarily be obtained in a dilapidated school building. But with everything neat, comfortable, tasteful and home-like in the building and its furniture, it is comparatively easy to train scholars to a high sense of honor, and to inspire them with a laudable ambition.

Give the scholars good school houses, good seats, good blackboards, good wall maps, good appliances of every kind, and the investment will be found to pay most satisfactory dividends.

When the wise man said, "There is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty," we can almost fancy he had his eye on some of our dilapidated school houses, and the consequences coming therefrom.

Some of the teachers have hardly attained to accuracy in making out their Registers, and some have the besetting sin of forgetting to return them when they ought.

This unpardonable fault subjects us to great annoyance and inconvenience in making out our annual report. If any shall fail during the coming year to send in their Registers in due season, they may expect to be pilloried in our next printed report, as delinquents.

Teachers are requested in inscribing names of scholars in the

Register to write real names (not pet names), and first and last names in full, with proper initials for middle name. This is very desirable because the Registers are kept on file for reference.

Teachers must expect an examination once a year according to law, and it is hoped that they will all, if practicable, present themselves at the annual examination in April.

The Committee are much pleased with the progress in writing, in connection with the Duplex Writing Book, and hope that parents and scholars will purchase no other copy book for use in the schools.

As soon as the facts of the last census can be incorporated in geographical text books, we expect to introduce new geographies into the schools. This we hope will be done during the coming year.

We venture to suggest, in closing this branch of our report, that the prosperity of schools under the present system, hinges to a very great degree upon the Prudential Committee. If the right man is chosen, and he takes hold with enthusiasm, faithfulness and good judgment, or in other words, if he "tends up" as he ought, good and competent teachers will be provided, good work will be done, good satisfaction given, and good results reached.

HIGH SCHOOL.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

ASSETS.

Balance from last year,	$ 12 32
Town appropriation,	1,100 00
Appropriation from District No. 3,	250 00
Tuition,	4 00
	$1,366 32

LIABILITIES.

Paid J. N. Mallory, for year ending March 1, 1881,	$850 00
Miss Frances E. Baldwin,	360 00
for programmes and course of study,	8 20
travelling expenses of speaker at graduation,	3 00
wood, care of house, crayons etc. (to Dist. No. 3),	95 60
Balance on hand,	49 52
	$1,366 32

The High School and Grammar Department have both been prosperous during the year, under the efficient care of their respective teachers.

Names of graduates from the High School, are as follows:

1878.

James H. Bliss, Jennie L. Weeks, Ida M. Gurnsey, L, Jennie S. Wood, L.

1879.

Chas. J. Fosgate, Fred B. Gould, Nellie C. Lesure, Addie

M. Lewis, Clara E. Morse, L, Nellie E. Scott, L, Jennie F. Swan, L.

1880.

Charles O. Eaton, Chas. E. Swan, Mattie A. Hammond, L, L. Jeanette Morse, L, Alice M. Titus, L.

SENIOR CLASS.

1881.

Alexander F. Pierce, Edgar S. Shepardson, Ned C. Wardwell, W. Eugene Hutchins, Dora S. Hammond, Cora B. Smith.

The whole number of scholars in the High School during the year, has been 47; 16 boys and 31 girls; with an average attendance of 30.

The whole number in the Grammar Department has been 54; 28 boys and 26 girls; with an average attendance of 28.

Eleven scholars have been promoted from the Grammar Department to the High School during the year.

The whole number in both departments has been 101; boys 44 and girls 57; number of different scholars, 90.

In the High School, the number of scholars pursuing branches not fully reported in Tabular Statement No. 1, is as follows: Latin 24, Algebra 19, Geometry 7, Rhetoric 12, Philosophy 18, Astronomy 9, Physical Geography 12, Botany 14, Etymology 4, Book-Keeping 10, Chemistry 6, Natural History 13, Physiology 7, General History 4; Arithmetic and Geography were reviewed.

The studies of the Grammar Deparment are Reading, Spelling, Writing, Arithmetic, Grammar, Geography and United States History.

Candidates for admission to this department are examined (written examination) in Geography, in Grammar, and in Arithmetic to Decimal Weights and Measures.

Scholars in either department who are absent from the examinations at the close of the terms, or who fail to pass them satisfactorily, are required to make up those examinations in order to go on in their classes.

The proceeds of the late popular and creditable exhibition

by the united departments, will be used in purchasing book cases, mineral cases and other things needed in the rooms.

A full set of wall maps is very much needed, and might have been purchased out of the balance unexpended, but it has been thought best to wait till the change in geographies is made, when the maps may be procured on much more favorable terms.

We trust that the citizens of the town will provide well for their schools during the coming year, and that all the scholars will make the most of the opportunities thus generously provided them.

Respectfully submitted,

A. H. TAFT,
ELIJAH HARMON,
ELLERY ALBEE.
Supt. School Committee.

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